

# ECRFPA Meeting Minutes

## April 9, 2018 at Rio Fernando Fire Department

1. Call to Order: 1811hrs.

Attendees: Mitch Daniels, Jim DeCastro, Mickey Richardson, T. Scott Gibson, Craig Sime, Ron Burnham, Bob Coss, Russ Driskell, Eric vom Dorp, Joseph Godfrey, Jeff Mackell, John Murtagh, Bonnie Driskell.

2. Agenda approved as Amended: Motion/Ron Burnham; Second/Russ Driskell.

3. Minutes: Not distributed yet for March.

4. Guests: None.

5. Reports:

- a. Eagle Nest: 1 chimney fire assist from Moreno Valley and John Murtagh of Angel Fire.
- b. Taos Ski Valley: 2 motor vehicle accidents, 2 elevator "rescues".
- c. Sierra Bonita: Conducted training at Mora Middle School, and received an actual fire call while there.
- d. Angel Fire: New Type 5 Engine is due to arrive soon. Have 1 wildland team available on the national list and one wildland engine in valley. Held Helicopter Training April 7 with Bernalillo County helicopters. Did long line and short line practice. Held 2nd Community Wildfire Meeting that went well. Broke ground for the new Station 3 and expect 150 day construction.
- e. San Cristobal: 1 fire started from ashes igniting a wood pile, assist from Hondo-Seco, and Llama.
- f. Llama: Getting one truck worked on.
- g. Moreno Valley: Called to small grass fire on Hwy 120.
- h. Red River: Average month of calls, none "noteworthy".
- i. Rio Fernando: 7 calls – 2 mutual-aid (1 structure, 1 wildland = canceled), 1 smoke (none found), 2 vehicle crashes, 2 medical (assist ambulance)

6. Old Business:

a. Staging/MOP:

- All departments are to be training in-house.
- Related to RIT, need staging first to assess resources.
- Rio Fernando used once at Taos Fire, worked well.
- Angel Fire used a couple times.
- Also critical part of Active Shooter response.
- Will probably be many opportunities coming up to use staging. May add to SOP later.

b. Com-Plan:

- Ron distributed copies of ECRFPA Com-Plan and Carson National Forest Com-Plan. Discussed aspects of each, some possible corrections needed. Keep ECRFPA Com-Plan as is for now.

7. New Business:
  - a. MOB-Guide, discussed need to keep current; much discussion on MOB Guide, various categories, and responses. John Murtagh raised questions on changing dispatch for wildfire responses. This may require changes to template now in place for MOB Guide. Issue tabled until next meeting.
  - b. Trigger-Points for Taos Canyon Evacuation. Russ Driskell discussed the work done to create a realistic evacuation plan for Taos Canyon. Meetings held with Emergency Management, Sheriff, State Police, and Red Cross. Much work needs to be done
8. Training:
  - a. "Basement" Fire Training at Red River Training grounds on April 7. Had 10 students, 3 instructors, 2 safeties, and 2 fire bosses. Inside temperature in burn building was between 100 to 400 degrees F when door was opened. All participants expressed how much they enjoyed the training and how much was learned.
  - b. S130-190 Wildland Training. The weekend went very well, requiring a big adjustment on Sunday after approximately 1/2" of rain fell Saturday night rendering the Enchanted Forest location too muddy to access. The Sunday evolutions were conducted at the Red River Training grounds. Everyone agreed that it was a positive experience.
  - c. Helicopter Training at Angel Fire was conducted on April 8, 2018. Two helicopters from Bernalillo County were on scene to provide realistic hands-on training. The 13 students first received three hours of classroom training on helicopter operations, communications and bucket operations, followed by three hours of field exercises.
9. Announcements:
  - a. San Cristobal Fire Department is holding an open house on Saturday May 12 at 1 PM at their new station. Project took 6 years to complete.
10. Action Items:
  - a. Ron Burnham: Check on Pueblo radio frequencies.
  - b. John Murtagh: Look into possible changes in MOB Guide on dispatching for wildland fires.
  - c. All departments to practice staging whenever possible.
11. Meeting Review: Everyone thought it was a good meeting with good discussions that covered a lot of ground.
12. Next Meeting: Monday May 7, 2018 @ 1800 hours at San Cristobal Fire Department, 38 Camino del Medio, San Cristobal.
13. Adjournment: 2100 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Scott Gibson, Chief  
Eagle Nest Volunteer Fire Department.